

Abstract of the Disclosure

A voltage-level converter and a method of converting a first logic voltage level to a second logic voltage level are described. In one embodiment, a voltage-level converter connects a first logic unit connected to a first supply voltage to a second logic unit
5 connected to a second supply voltage. The voltage-level converter includes at least one transistor connected to the second supply voltage. The at least one transistor has a threshold voltage whose absolute value is greater-than-or-about-equal to the absolute value of the difference between the second supply voltage and the first supply voltage. In an alternative embodiment, a method for converting a first logic voltage level to a second
10 logic voltage level includes transmitting a logic signal from a logic unit having an output voltage swing of between a first voltage level and a second voltage level, receiving the logic signal at a logic circuit having a pull-up transistor and an output voltage swing between a third voltage level and a fourth voltage level, and turning off the pull-up transistor when the logic signal has a value slightly greater than the difference between
15 the third voltage level and the first voltage level.

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